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REINSTITUTE DRAFT

Selective Service For Nisei

War Department announced late last week that Selective Service for the Nisei has been reinstituted, and plans have been completed for the general procedures for American citizens of Japanese descent.

Under the War Department plans, Japanese Americans considered acceptable for military service will be reclassified by their Selective Service board on the same basis as other citizens, and called for induction if physically qualified and not deferred.

Last February, the 442nd Combat team composed of Japanese American Volunteers was formed. In a letter to the Secretary of War commenting on the formation of the unit, the President said: "No loyal citizen of the United States should be denied the right to exercise the responsibilities of his citizenship regardless of his ancestry. The principle on which this country was founded and by which it has always been governed is that Americanism is a matter of the mind and heart; Americanism is not, and never was, a matter of race or ancestry."

The excellent showing which the Combat team has made in training and the outstanding record achieved by the 100th battalion, a former Hawaiian National Guard Unit now fighting in Italy, were major factors in the present plan.

Following statement was received by WRA Director Dillion S. Myer: "The announcement by the War Department that Nisei are to be inducted into the Army through the Selective Service system marks another significant step forward for American Citizens of Japanese descent. It means that Japanese-American soldiers now in the Army have performed their duties with high skill and courage, and that the valuable services rendered by soldiers have been recognized."

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FUEL: LUMBERJACK STARTS AGAIN

As a result of special block managers' meeting held last Saturday, Center lumberjacking started again last Monday and will continue until the end of this week.

Meanwhile to offset any coal shortage that may arise due to our present fuel shortage, a new requisition for a new coal contract has been made with the Quartermaster's Detachment in Chicago.

This new contract calls for an additional 3,000 tons of coal for this Center. This is in supplement to our present stock. According to the new shipping schedule, 3 cars per day are expected.

Paralysis Drive To Start Soon

"Last year this Center made a remarkable showing in the campaign for funds to combat Infantile Paralysis. Plans for this year's campaign are now being made and will be put into effect before the next issue of the OUTPOST, Mr. F. R. Mangham said today.

"This campaign for funds

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REGISTRATION FOR ALIENS IN CENTER COMMENCES TODAY

Words have been received from the WRA headquarters that the United States Immigration and Naturalization Service requests an assistance of securing an up-to-date addresses of all aliens and non-citizens living within the center.

This is not a new registration but merely to keep up new addresses of all those within this catagory.

Through the medium of block managers' offices, all aliens and non-citizens are requested to bring their Alien Registration number; address prior to their evacuation; and their present center address.

This registration, which will take place at the block office, will start today and continue until

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WORKSHOP BUILDING BEING CONSTRUCTED FOR HIGH SCHOOL

Another addition to the local high school will be under construction immediately after lumberjack duties. The War Production Board certified the high school workshop building, and all materials necessary to start construction are here.

Tom Makino, resident architect, stated that this unique modern workshop will be 40' by 120' and will be situated in the westside of the present high school.

This workshop building, second addition to the high school, will consist of a wood workshop and an automobile shop. The former shop will have large storage room, office space and a work space, and will be equipped with power saw and other mechanical equipments. The latter will have a huge work space, general equipment room and a car-washing space. The structure will have a concrete floor and wooden frame.

Completion of this building should take some eight working weeks.

CONTACT MAN VISITS CENTER

Mr. Hanzo Muraki, representing Edgewater Beach Hotel of Chicago, Ill., is here to recruit workers.

Opportunities open are: 10 inexperienced or experienced maids, three housemen, 3 night moppers, two experienced or inexperienced window washer, 14 kitchen workers and one drug store reporter.

Those desiring further information are requested to see Mr. Murakami at 34-7-C in the mornings or H. L. Abbott's office in Ad. building 2, in the afternoon.

LIBRARY NOTICE

While wood chopping continues, the Center library in Blk. 19 will be closed nights.

At present, 41 varieties of magazines are available to the residents.

OUTSIDE EMPLOYMENT

Janitor and Handiman: 1 person, run furnace, do daily cleaning, and care of small repairs. Children of the man will attend school without charge. $60 month, plus house, water, light and heat. Four dinners a week and kitchen left overs. Windward School. White Plains, New York.

Farm Work: 10 men - workers assist in preparing the soil and planting of all crops. Harvesting asparagus, beans, pumpkins, other crops grown. Base - 50¢ hr. 40-40 hrs. work. Women - according to season with bonuses of 2¢ - 6¢ hr. Charles Mills, Delaware.

Domestic: 1 person or a couple. Woman - cooking, cleaning, care of children (5½ & 3 yrs.) Man - assist in general housework, care of lawn, prune trees, drive car etc. $18 - $25 week, room and board. 1 woman. $135 month, room and board, couple. Mr. James S. Frey, Youngstown, Ohio.

Domestic: Couple - woman - cook, general housework. Man - assist with heavy household duties, care of yard and car. $150 month, room and board.

Now Showing

Showing now through Saturday:

PS hall 10 - "Immortal Sergeant"

PS hall 15 - "Devil and Miss Jones"

PS hall 33 - "Suspicion"

RELOCATION CALENDAR

Jan. 24: Mac Makoto Mimaki, Cleveland, Ohio.

Jan. 25: Frank Aiji Endo, Waterbury, Conn.; Hiroshi Harry, Yuriko Lillie Ansai, Fusako Sugi, Kuni Miyake, Chicago, Ill.

Jan. 26: Yoshiko Shiraishi, Peoria, Ill.

Jan. 27: Edwin Hideto Fukuda, Jack Shiro Mizufuka, Frank Masao Okura, Mt. Clemens, Mich.

Jan. 28: Mitsuye Ito, Freeport, Ill.

RECEIVE MORE OVERSEA MAILS

Red Cross messages from Japan have been reported as received for the following persons.

They are: Masashi Hamano, formerly of Pasadena; Yagoro Hamaguchi, Los Angeles; Chuji Fujino, Montebello, Yoshitaro Baba, Stockton; Tatsumi Akimoto, Bismarck, N. Dakota; Seikaku Mizutani, Lodi; Takeo Sato, Terminal Island; Nissburo Ogushi, Los Angeles; Ichiro Ogata, Seattle, Wash.; Sakano Noguchi, Gardena; Tomojiro Nakayama, Los Angeles; Shigeo Nakayama, Los Angeles; Yonetaro Umino, Stockton; Akira Umemoto, Los Angeles; Susumu & Hisako Tokunaga, Los Angeles; Saburo Yanase, Acampo; Konichi or Kamichi Tamura, Los Angeles Keizo Saga, Stockton.

VITAL STATISTICS

BORN: To Mr. and Mrs. Frank Hiroshi Tanihara, 25-5-C, a boy on Jan. 17.

BORN: To Mr. and Mrs. Tom Tsuneto Tsutsumi, 10-1-E, a boy on Jan. 23.

MARRIED: Sgt. Churo Sakata, Camp Savage, to Florence, Tsurumoto, 25-2-F, on Jan. 25.

Joseph S. Atha, Kansas City, Missouri

GUESTS

SERVICEMEN: Pfcs. H. Higuchi, E. N. Eguchi, M. Ogata, R. Tanaka, G. Honda, H. Ninami, T. Miyashiro, T. Imada, H. Muraki, M. Funamura, Tak Takeuchi, Masao Miyamoto, K. Yatsushiro, K. Furutani, M. Nagamuno, J. Yamashita, S. Tanaka, A. Hashimoto, G. Suzukawa, T. Uyeda, Fred Yasuda, I. Masuda, Sgts. H. Okubo, E. Nishioka, R. Shimabuki, K. Uchiyama, D. T. Kawagoye, P. Ichino, Pvts. S. Suga, A. Nakamura, M. Nakamura, E. Uno, Ayabe, S. Wakayama, K. Kinoshita, I. Ishizaki, Y. Ino, S. Kido, N. Nakamoto, Hidehara Umine, Cpls. S. Saito, E.A. Kokubumi, T. Senzaki, Fred Tanaka, S/Sgts. Henry Inouye, Frank Nakashima, R. Takeuchi, T/5's K. Osamoto, M. Sakuma, K. Kiyonaga, A. Kitagawa, Akiyama, K. Jujita, T/4's T. Kaba, N. Kira, Camp Shelby, Miss. Cpl. K. Kido, Ft. Custer; T/Sgt. Tsutomu Matsumoto, Camp Savage, Minn.; Pfc. Mas Funamura, Camp Claiborne, La.; Pfc. A. Fujiki, Camp Shelby, Miss.

CIVILIANS: Fusaye Kaminishi, Nancy Doi, St. Paul, Minn.; Mrs. Louise S. Machara, Honolulu, Hawaii; Kay Okazaki, Ann Arbor, Mich.; Ron Kanagawa, Kansas; Atsushi Takunaga, Masami Yuki, M. Nagata, Jack Oshita, Jack Watari, Chicago, Ill.; Sam I. Tayama, Richmond, Va.; Uto, Mary, T. Hakada, Denver, Colo.; Kenichi Hirata, Edward H. Fukumoto, Chicago, Ill.; George Yasutake, Seichi Sugino, Almont, Mich.; Henry Furushima, Salt Lake City, Utah; Eiichi Kubota, Henderson, Colo.; Teimei Tim Okimura, Ann Arbor, Mich.; George Kyoichi Fujimoto, Chicago, Ill.; Monty Murakami, Rockford, Ed. Endo, Chicago, Ill.; Hanzo Muraki, Chicago, Ill.; Setsuyo Tanaka, Abilene, Texas.

LOST AND FOUND

FOUND: Leather gloves with fur lining, at the high school field. Owner please claim at the OUTPOST.

LOST: Black Sheaffer fountain pen. Finder please return to 14-7-D.

ROHWER U.S.O. ELECTS HEADS

At the last meeting of the local USO held in 42-4 last Thursday evening, Mrs. Seda Murayama of Jerome gave an interesting talk on difference between peace time soldiers and war time soldiers. Over fifty people, mostly composed of parents and relatives of servicemen, attended this meeting presided by Dr. Hunter, advisory chairman.

An election was held and the following persons were chosen: Sadazo Uematsu, president; Mrs. Hirahara, woman's vice-president; Mr. K. Hozaki, men's vice-president; and K. Saito, executive secretary and treasurer. The district leaders for district 1 are Mr. Kakehashi and Mrs. Kodama; district 2 Mr. Uematsu and Mrs. Shimizu; district 3 Mr. Hozaki and Mr. Watanabe; district 4 Mr. Tsunekawa and Mr. Omori; and district 5 Mrs. Numamoto and Mrs. Hirahara. The leaders for the younger groups are K. Saito and T. Nakamura.

Infantile Paralysis Campaign to Start

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is unlike any other campaign for funds of this day and time. We, here in America, are collecting this money to further research work to determine the cause of this dreaded disease and to help those who may become the victim of it. This is one campaign for money, even though it is being collected in time of war, where the money collected will be for benefit of all mankind--enemies and allies alike.

"We owe it to the children of this center to make contribution to this worthy cause. I sincerely hope that each man, women, and child will join in the effort to rid the world of the most treacherous of all diseases--Infantile Paralysis.

"If the plans, which are being made, call for a little extra work on your part, put your very best efforts into the campaign and let's put Rohwer over the top again."

Shelby Soldiers Visit Rohwer; Local U.S.O. Entertains Group

Forty soldiers from Camp Shelby, Miss., were guests of the local USO given over the last weekend, held at USO building 42-4.

With local girls acting as hostesses, the servicemen were invited to an afternoon tea party Saturday at the YWCA club room. That night in the USO building, a Japanese movie, "Haha-o-Tazunete", was shown through the courtesy of Mr. George Sato, and followed by odoris performed by Kansuma mon-ka-sei and Uematsu mon-ka-sei.

The soldiers entertained the group with their renditions of Hawaiian hospitality. The balance of the evening was spent in dancing with music furnished by 38 Toppers and decorations by Block 14 Free Lancers. Mr. Raymond Arao and Mr. Kaz Saito were co-MCees.

Sunday morning, the soldiers attended church services, and in the afternoon, a farewell dance was given followed by an "ochazuke." They left that evening for Camp Selby.

The local USO wishes to express their appreciation to the following: Free Lancers, 38 Toppers, YWCA, CA, IS, L. A. May and Mess Division, L. A. Stearns, and to all those individuals who helped make the soldiers visit a success.

N.Y. PROSPECTS ARE FAVORABLE

Miss LaVerne Madigan, New York relocation officer, who is staying here until end of the month, stated that New York relocation is most successful there in that it enables an entire family to resettle together. The New York staff has developed possibilities of employment for the parents of niseis as well as for the niseis themselves, and hopes that the heads of families which desire to relocate will discuss their problem with her.

There are good offers both to experienced and inexperienced in exclusive shops for seamstress in New York since the government season is at its peak at present. All those who are interested can see her in Mr. H. L. Abbott's office in Ad. building 2.

Scoop!

Questions and answers pertaining to the Induction of American citizens of Japanese descent for Military Service have been released from Washington, D.C., and can be found on page 5 of the OUTPOST.

Aliens Register At Block Offices

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next Thursday, Feb. 3.

Those who are contemplating in relocation will have to again notify their change of address within 5 days after reaching destination on an Alien Registration change of address card Form AR-11. (Revised)

It is asked that all cooperation is given in making this registration.

Nisei Now Eligible For Army Induction

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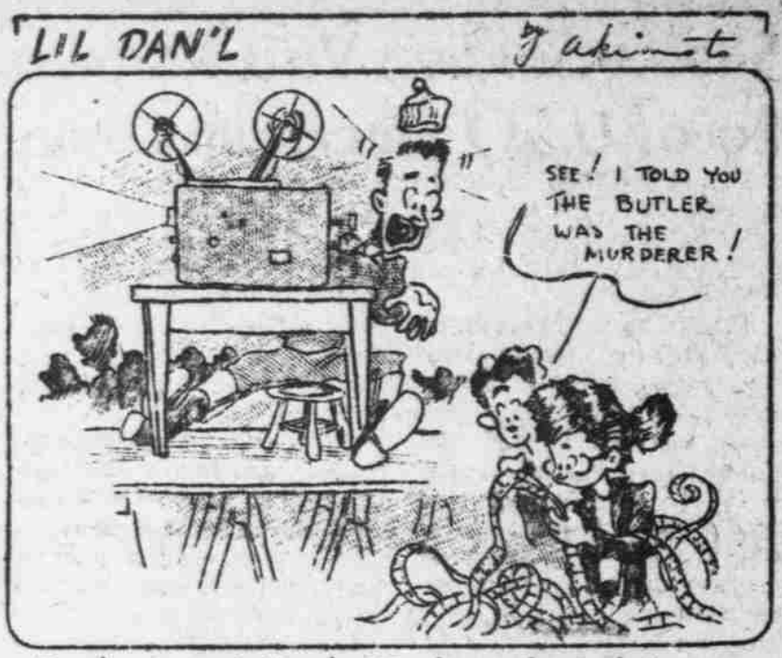
"The obligation to bear arms in defense of the nation is one of the essential elements of American Citizenship. As increasing numbers of Nisei are called upon to assume that obligations, I feel confident that soldiers of Japanese ancestry in the Army will acquit themselves with distinction and that there will be widening public recognition of the status which all loyal and law-abiding residents of Japanese descent can and should enjoy in our national life."

HAPPINESS HOUR MEETS TONIGHT

"Paul Enters Athens" will be the topic of discussion of the Happiness Hour with a nisei minister present. The chairman of this singspiration and fellowship hour will be Bette Ishibashi and will be held tonight in PS Hall 2 at 7 p.m.



Rohwer High School Athletes Awarded Chenille Letters

Blue and white chenille letters, six inches high, were awarded to four girls and eleven boys of the Senior high school recently.

The G.A.A. awards were given to girls who took active part in the various girls sports, namely they were: Alice Sagara, former president of the Rohwer high school G.A.A., Himi Hashimoto, voted the most outstanding athlete, Yoshiko Hanzawa, and Mariko Tsutsui, both seniors. Shizuka Aya and Marie Mitsuda, Girls athletic directors, made the girl's award.

Football Lettermen

Letters were awarded to the high school football All-Stars. Namely the lettermen were: Tada Q. Endo, Eugene Sakasegawa, Frank Seto, Larry Shimada, Eddie Wakimoto, Yoshimaru Sugimoto, Yutaka Shiraishi, Buck Sakurai, Sat Ouna, Fred Kurata and Junji Sasaki. The presentations were made by coaches Victor Matsui and Hank Hayashino.

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credit should be given to him who so ably carried the football games play for play over the "mike", thus raising its interest to its great height.

Getting back to the original subject of relocated athletes and manpower shortage that accompanied it, lets give the young up and coming athletes more boost by turning out in hundreds to the many basketball games that are on tap.

TOURNAMENT SIGN-UP DUE

Teams who are intending to enter the second annual Bussei tournament are urged to sign up immediately. The teamroster must be composed of registered Busseis. Three teams are already entered and is now being checked. Managers are requested to contact Sanji Fukuyama, tournament chairman, at the library with their entrance rosters. The deadline for entrance is tomorrow.

EX-CENTERITES PLAY BASKETBALL

Niseis, including former Rohwer residents, are actively taking part in many basketball games in Mt. Clemens, Michigan.

Golden Bears, the name of their team, have played five games against Caucasian opponents thus far, winning three of them. Namely, some of the former "Rohwerons" are Marshall Sumida, Frank Sagara and Tim Nabara.

SPORTS RECONNAISANCE

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With relocation in full swing, the Rohwer Center will miss the services of many outstanding athletes who made headlines during the past season. Fellas like Dave Komatsu, William and George Kagawa, Ken Hirata, Kiyoshi Shimasaki, Tosh Ihara, Sam Nakamoto, Icy Hasama, and many more too numerous to mention that caught the eye of many a spectator is just memories to us now.

New names, new athletes, who are fast developing into calibre equal to their "big brothers" will come into the spotlight. This was excellently illustrated during the light weight football season. While on the subject of football, let's review some of the highlights that took place. Joker Y's were the Center lightweight champs when they tied the Broncos in the "Miso Shiru" bowl or rather the "Suki Yaki" bowl, with Broncos in a close second, being nosed out of the championship that dark day for them when Peter Furuya of the Y's blocked a punt behind the goal, costing the Broncos 2 points plus the championship. Nobi Tanimoto's "Kimbrough" like runs would have given the Y's many a nightmare if it wasn't for the Joker's amazing goal line recovery sparked by Jokie Tamura, Ty Kajimoto, Teruo Tsujimoto, and co-captain Tada Q. Endo.

Devils Winless

Although the Blue Devils were without a win, they showed fine sportsmanship and determination as in their second Joker Y game. The fans were up on their feet many times to see Sat Ouna, weave through the opponents line in everso confident manner.

Please note that this is not the "Benchwarmer" by Kango Kunitsugu nor "Between the Huddles" by Art Takei but just "Reconnaisance" pinch hitting. Speaking of Kango, "Bill Stern" of Rohwer, much

QUESTIONS AND ANSWERS ABOUT SELECTIVE SERVICE

1. Q. To what age group will induction for military service apply?

A. To males 18 to 37 years of age inclusive.

2. Q. Will Kibei be inducted?

A. Yes, if otherwise qualified.

3. Q. Will Issei be inducted?

A. No.

4. Q. Will a man who has left the relocation center be inducted?

A. Yes, if qualified. Induction does not depend on residence in a Center.

5. Q. Will an individual of Japanese ancestry who has applied for expatriation be inducted?

A. Generally speaking, no.

6. Q. Can a man avoid induction by changing his anser on the loyalty question or by asking for expatriation at this time?

A. No. A change in his answer or a request for expatriation will not affect his liability for training and service. The Selective Service Law carries penalties for false statements made for the purpose of avoiding induction.

7. Q. At what rate will men be called for induction?

A. The rate of call will depend on the local Selective Service Board quota.

8. Q. On what basis does the Army determine "acceptability for service"?

A. "Acceptability for service" is determined by checking individual records.

9. Q. Is there any way for a man not considered "acceptable for service" to change his status?

A. Not at present.

10. Q. How soon will inductees be called?

A. It is impossible to indicate the exact time when a registrant will be called. An individual considered "acceptable for service" will be reclassified by the local Selective Service Board. He will undergo a pre-induction physical examination when his order number is reached, or sooner if he waives this requirement and volunteers. If he is physically qualified, he will generally be called not less than 10 nor more than 90 days thereafter.

11. Q. Where will physical examinations be given?

A. At the Armed Forces Induction Station designated by Selective Service, usually the nearest station.

12. Q. If a man originally registered with a Selective Service Board on the Pacific Coast will he go back to that point to be inducted?

A. No. He will be inducted at the nearest Armed Forces Induction Station or Reception Center.

13. Q. How will "acceptable" Nisei be notified to report for induction?

A. He will receive an order to report for induction from the appropriate local Board. The order will be on DSS Form 150.

14. Q. Where in the Army will the Japanese Americans serve?

A. They will serve wherever the United States sends them.

15. Q. Are there penalties for failure to notify a local Board of a change of address?

A. Yes. An eligible male who fails to keep his local Board notified of his address will be reported as a delinquent to a U.S. District Attorney, and will be subject to penalties provided in the Selective Service and Training Act.

16. Q. Are Nisei soldiers in uniform permitted to go into the evacuated zone?

A. Yes, when on active duty and on leave, or furlough.

17. Q. What assistance from the Government does the family of a soldier receive?

A. The system of benefits and allotments available from the Government to families of soldiers is too complicated to explain briefly. In a relocation center the Welfare Section has full information; outside a relocation center the local headquarters of the American Red Cross has such information; soldiers may receive complete information at Army Posts.

18. Q. What arrangements will WRA make for dependents of a Nisei in a relocation center who is inducted into the Army?

A. Policies of WRA which apply to any persons in relocation centers also apply to dependents of soldiers.

19. Q. Will dependents of a Nisei who is inducted after leaving a relocation center be eligible to return to a center?

A. Policies of WRA governing the return of any relocated person or family will apply to the family of a soldier. Briefly, the relocation supervisor in the area must give his approval before the project director is authorized to grant readmittance to a person who has been relocated.

This information was received from W.R.A., Washington, D.C., dated Jan. 21, 1944.